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## Sheet 4 (Basic searching algorithms)

- 1. Write a C# console program that creates an array of 20 integer numbers, fills it with random integers numbers between 0 and 100, then implement and test the following:
  - a) Sequentially search for a value in an array, if the value is in the array the searching algorithm returns its index; otherwise, it returns -1 as not found code. The program should repeatedly ask the user for a value to search for until the user enters -2 as a code for end searching.
  - b) Search for the maximum value in the array using the sequential search algorithm and returns its index
  - c) Search for the maximum value in the array using the sequential search algorithm and returns its index

The searching algorithms should be implemented as separate functions in your program.

- 2. Write a C# console program to do the following:
  - a) Create a text files (nums.text) that contains 1000 random integer numbers each one lies in the interval [0-1000] and each one is located on a separate line in the text file.
  - b) Sequentially search for a value in text file, if the value is in the file the searching algorithm returns its zero-based line number; otherwise, it returns -1 as not found code. The program should repeatedly ask the user for a value to search for until the user enters -2 as a code for end searching.
  - c) Search for the maximum value in the file using the sequential search algorithm and returns its zero-based line number
  - d) Search for the maximum value in the file using the sequential search algorithm and returns its zero-based line number

The searching algorithms should be implemented as separate functions in your program.

- 3. Write a C# program that implement and test the sequential search algorithm. Design the algorithm so that it optimizes the data to make searching the frequently searched data faster in two different ways.
- 4. Write a C# program that creates an array of 20 integer values sorted accidently. The program then searches the array for a value asked by the user using the binary search algorithm. If the value is in the array, the programs displays the index where it's found, otherwise it displays -1 as a code for not found data. Implement the binary search in two forms: iteratively and recursively.
- 5. The basic sequential search algorithm will always find the first occurrence of an item in a data set. Create a new sequential search method that takes a second integer argument indicating which occurrence of an item you want to search for. Write a C# console program to implement and test your algorithm.

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6. The basic binary search algorithm will always find out if an item exists in data set or not. Create a new binary search method that returns the number of occurrence of an item in an array. Write a C# console program to implement and test your algorithm.

7. What is the big O complexity of sequential and binary search algorithms?

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